

# ILLINOIS STATE MUSEUM

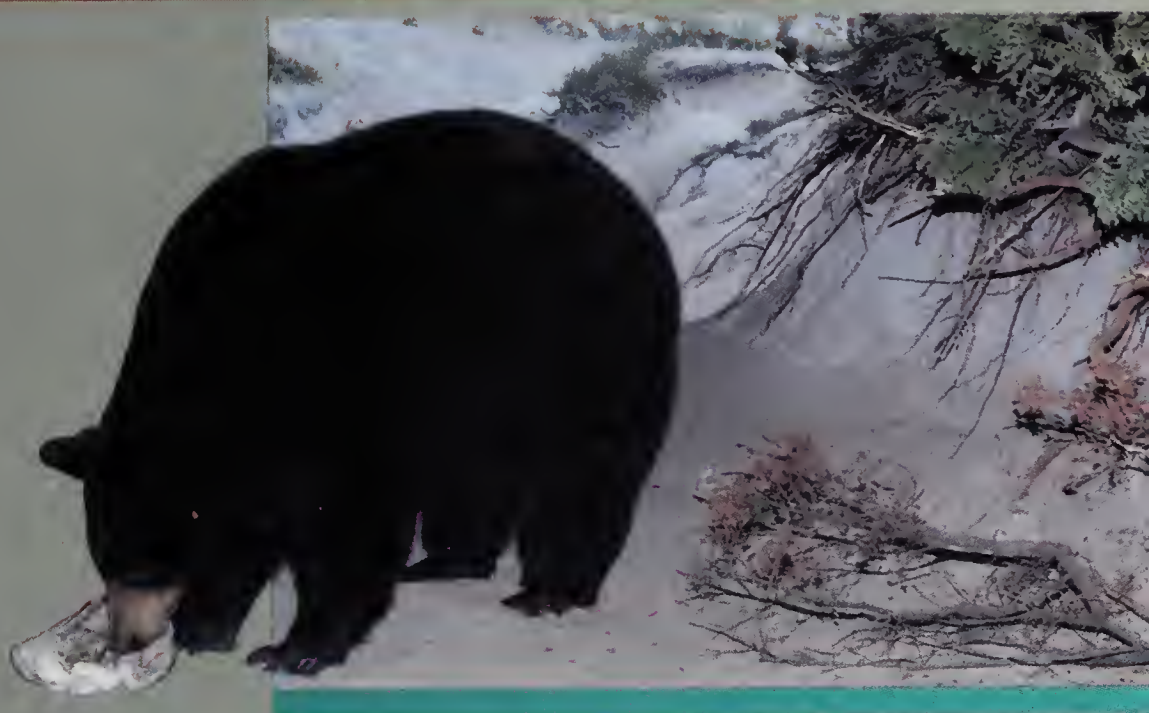
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SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

See nature's mysteries and the wonderful world of art revealed in a vast array of items drawn from the Museum's collections of over 5 million objects. At the Illinois State Museum in Springfield the natural and cultural materials of Illinois are preserved, studied, and exhibited.



Trek through the animal kingdom in **Natural History Hall**, and come face to face with a pack of wolves, a bald eagle, a family of black bears, white-tailed deer, and more.

See one of the world's largest Ice Age mastodons — it will leave you spellbound.



Visit the world of the American Indians in the **Peoples of the Past** exhibit. "... like travelers in a science fiction movie, visitors can step back into prehistoric Illinois. ..." (Chicago Tribune)







Take a trip through time in the **Carson Miniature Room** where tiny replicas of Abraham Lincoln's Law Office, Carl Sandburg's Birthplace, a Frank Lloyd Wright house, and other rooms and scenes depict our rich heritage.



Touch a moose, dig for fossils, examine skeletons and insects, and listen to bird sounds in **A Place For Discovery** — where children of all ages can explore the wonders of art and nature.



In the **Hall of Geology** there are hundreds of fossils, gems, and minerals. Touch one of the largest masses of copper, find your birthstone, and see minerals fluoresce under ultraviolet light.



In the **Galleries** you can explore the diversity of arts, crafts, and industry in Illinois from paintings, prints, photography, and sculpture to decorative arts and folk art. The collections of coverlets, quilts, clocks, duck decoys, and other antiques are unsurpassed in the Midwest. Changing exhibitions offer a wonderful view of the arts within and beyond our borders.



### Special Programs and Activities

There is always something happening at the Illinois State Museum. Tours, lectures, films, and field study trips in natural history, anthropology, and art are offered. Many special events draw thousands of visitors.

### Museum Hours

Open free 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sundays. Closed Easter Sunday, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

**A Place For Discovery** is closed on Mondays.

**The Museum and all its branches are handicapped accessible.**

### Museum Gift Shop

Take home a treasure for yourself or a friend! The gift shop is filled with beautiful art objects, books, cards, jewelry, and much more from around the world.

### Membership

As a Member of the Museum Society, you will receive many benefits including gift shop, membership tour, and program discounts, and the Museum Society publication, *Impressions*. Call 217-782-5965 today and join a great Museum.

Illinois State Museum  
Spring and Edwards Streets  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
217-782-7386

### Visit the Branch Museums

- **Dickson Mounds Museum** is a museum of prehistoric American Indian culture located 66 miles northwest of Springfield, between Havana and Lewistown, near Illinois Highways 97 and 78. The Museum, excavations, and picnic grounds are open free daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed some holidays. Call 309-547-3721.
- The **State of Illinois Art Gallery** of contemporary and historic Illinois art is located in the State of Illinois Center, 100 W. Randolph, Chicago. Open free Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Closed some holidays. Call 312-917-5322. Also visit the **Illinois Artisans Shop** next door, which sells traditional, contemporary, and ethnic Illinois art.
- The **Illinois State Museum Lockport Gallery** features changing exhibitions of Illinois arts and crafts. Located at 200 West 8th St., Lockport, Illinois along the historic Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor, it is open free Tuesday through Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed some holidays. Call 815-838-7400.

See back cover map for all museum locations.

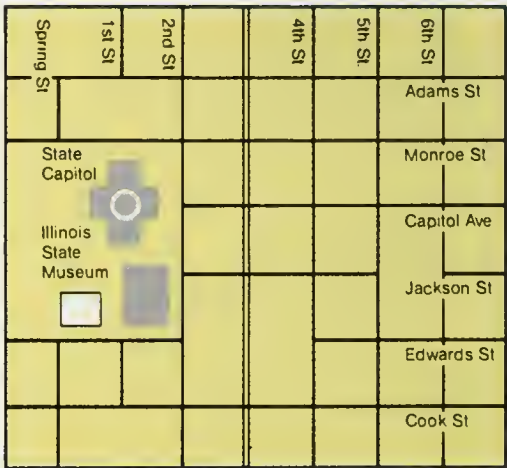
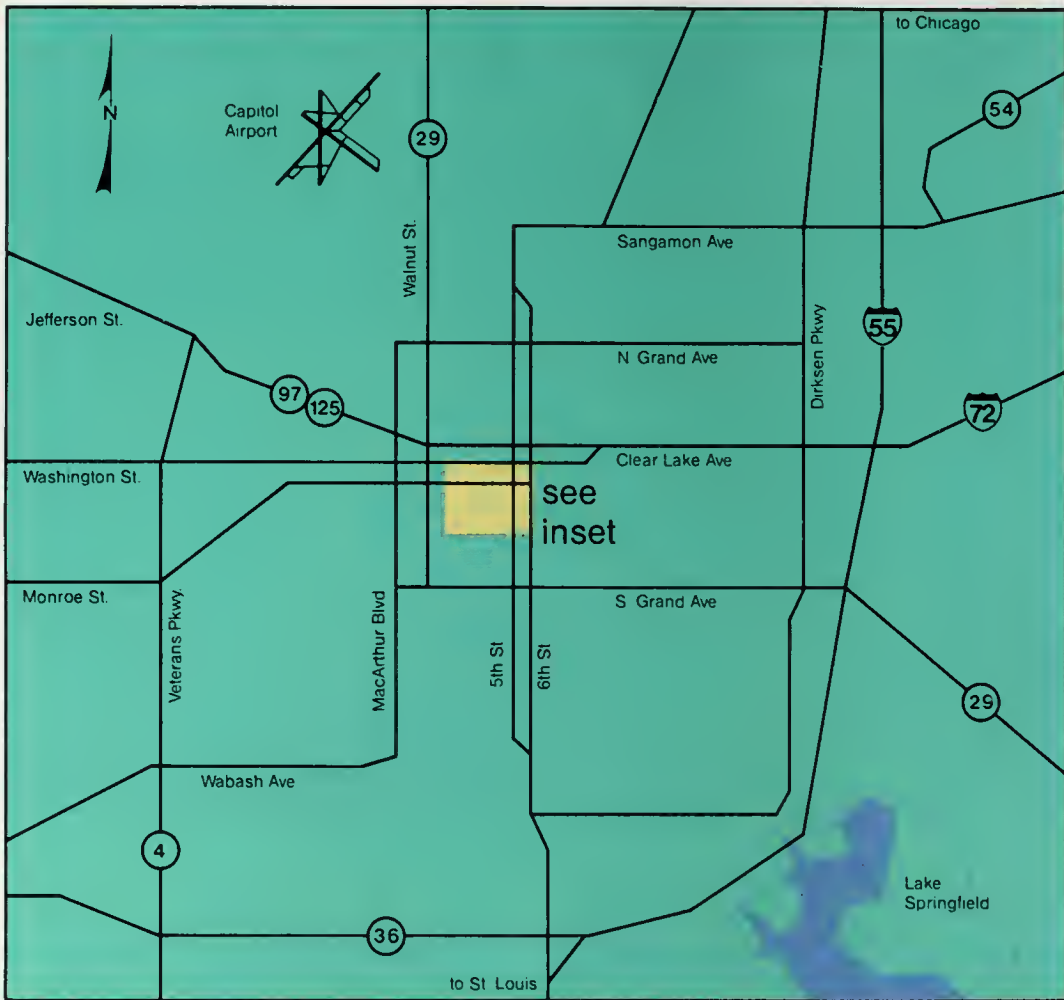




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The Museum is located on the southwest corner of the State Capitol grounds at Spring and Edwards Streets. Routes into Springfield and to the Museum are well-marked. Free parking is available nearby.



Downtown Springfield



Museum Branch Locations (■)

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DISCOUNT!

Present this coupon at the Museum Gift Shop and you will receive a 10% discount on any purchase of \$5.00 or more.\*

**Thank you for visiting!**

(Discount offer good only at the Illinois State Museum in Springfield)

\*except on publications

